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PETITION OF NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY ("NIPSCO") FOR (1) AUTHORITY TO MODIFY ITS RATES AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC UTILITY SERVICE; (2) APPROVAL OF NEW SCHEDULES OF RATES AND CHARGES APPLICABLE THERETO; (3) APPROVAL OF REVISED DEPRECIATION ACCRUAL RATES; (4) INCLUSION IN ITS BASIC RATES AND CHARGES OF THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH CERTAIN PREVIOUSLY APPROVED QUALIFIED POLLUTION CONTROL PROPERTY PROJECTS; (5) AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT A RATE ADJUSTMENT MECHANISM PURSUANT TO IND. CODE § 8-1-2-42(a) TO (A) TIMELY RECOVER CHARGES AND CREDITS FROM REGIONAL TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATIONS AND NIPSCO'S TRANSMISSION REVENUE REQUIREMENTS; (B) TIMELY RECOVER NIPSCO'S PURCHASED POWER COSTS; AND (C) ALLOCATE NIPSCO'S OFF SYSTEM SALES REVENUES; (6) APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CHANGES TO NIPSCO'S ELECTRIC SERVICE TARIFF INCLUDING WITH RESPECT TO THE GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, THE ENVIRONMENTAL COST RECOVERY MECHANISM AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL EXPENSE MECHANISM; (7) APPROVAL OF THE CLASSIFICATION OF NIPSCO'S FACILITIES AS TRANSMISSION OR DISTRIBUTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION'S SEVEN-FACTOR TEST; AND (8) APPROVAL OF AN ALTERNATIVE REGULATORY PLAN PURSUANT TO IND. CODE § 8-1-2.5-1 *ET SEQ.* TO THE EXTENT SUCH RELIEF IS NECESSARY TO EFFECT THE RATEMAKING MECHANISMS PROPOSED BY NIPSCO.

CAUSE NO. 43526

You are hereby notified that on this date the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission ("Commission") has caused the following entry to be made:

On April 9, 2009, the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor, the Board of Commissioners of LaPorte County, the NIPSCO Industrial Group, Beta Steel, the City of Hammond, the Indiana Municipal Utilities Group, and the Citizens Action Coalition (collectively, "the Movants") filed its *Joint Motion for Extension of Time* ("Motion"), wherein the Movants requested to continue the remaining prefiling dates in this Cause. In support of its Motion, the Movants indicate that NIPSCO has discovered errors in its cost-of-service study and will provide

the Movants corrected rate design, revenue proof and tariff information on April 10, 2009. Currently, the Movants' prefilng deadline for their respective cases-in-chief is April 17, 2009.


The Movants propose the following prefilng schedule, to which NIPSCO has no objection:

1. OUCC and Intervenor's' prefilng: May 8, 2009, with workpapers submitted on or before May 15, 2009.
2. Cross-answering testimony: May 29, 2009, with workpapers submitted on or before June 2, 2009.
3. NIPSCO's rebuttal: June 26, 2009, with workpapers submitted on or before June 30, 2009.

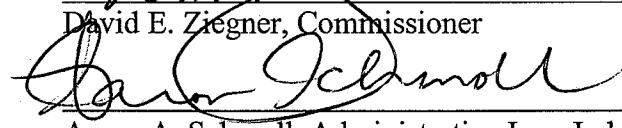
In addition, the Movants and NIPSCO have agreed to a limited period of expedited discovery for a limited number of discovery requests, and have agreed that NIPSCO will make its cost-of-service expert available for a teleconference at a mutually agreeable time during the week of April 20, 2009.

Having reviewed the Motion and being duly advised, the Presiding Officers hereby grant the Motion. Because the prefilng dates are now set after the Settlement Hearing, currently set for April 30, 2009, the Settlement Hearing is hereby continued to the Evidentiary Hearing, which remains scheduled to begin on July 27, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 222, National City Center, 101 W. Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

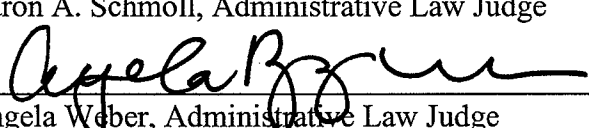
IT IS SO ORDERED.



David E. Ziegner, Commissioner



Aaron A. Schmoll, Administrative Law Judge



Angela Weber, Administrative Law Judge

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Date